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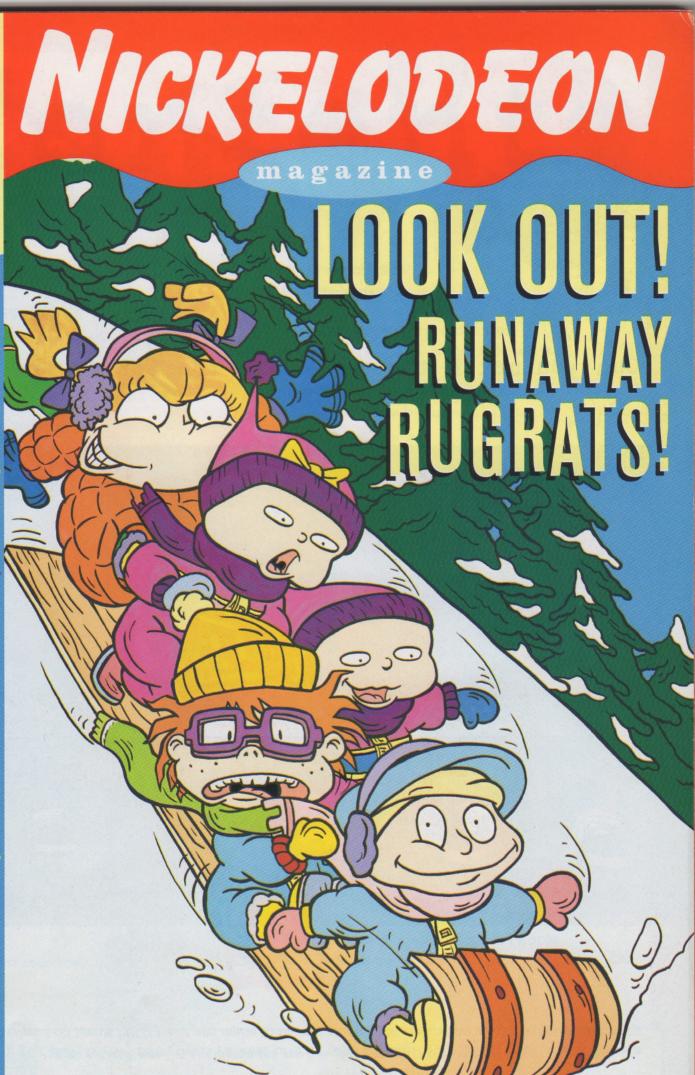
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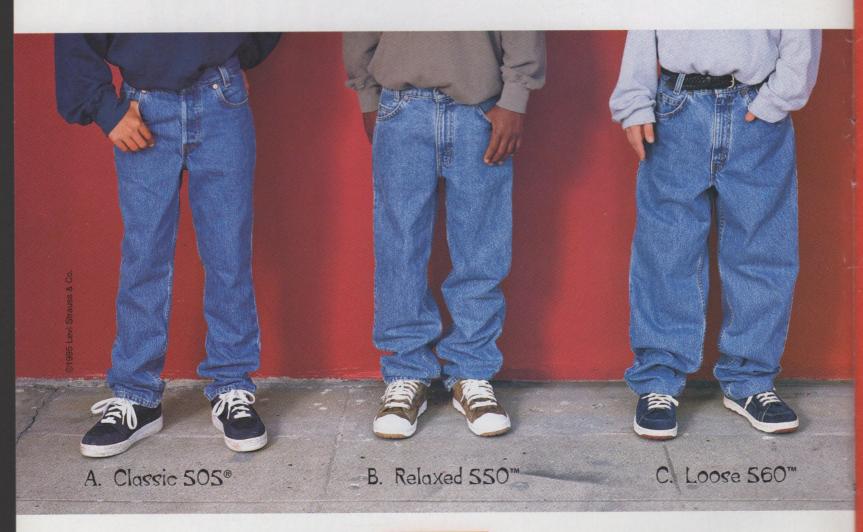
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The Kelp Forest

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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITORS



Dear Nick Mag,
I gave one of your greeting cards
[July 1995] to my coach. I stood
up on a table and read it in front
of my whole class and they all
laughed.

Nicole E., age 11 Scottsdale, Arizona

Dear Nicole, Great. Now get down from the table and give us 20 push-ups.

Dear Nick Mag,
I am running for student body
president. Since you wrote all
those crazy travel songs, could
you write me a song that will
convince kids to vote for me?
Brittany C., age 11
San Dimas, California

Dear Brittany,
(Sing to the tune of "Do-Re-Mi")
Vote for me,
I'm Brittany.
I will make the school day fun.
I am smart, and I have heart—
That is why I choose to run.
No pop quizzes will be had.
Lunchroom food will not be bad.
All the students will be glad
That they made me president!

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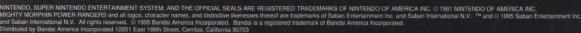




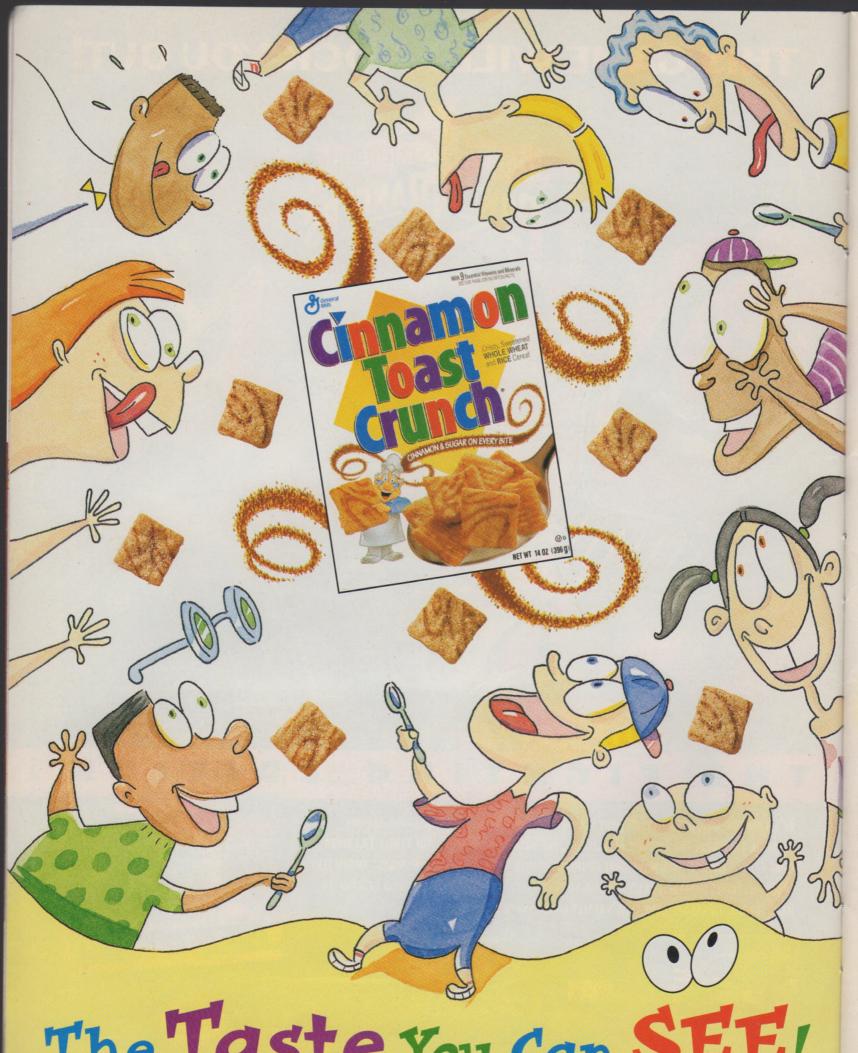












The Taste You Can SEE!

# Whatever we Want

#### HOW TO STAY UP UNTIL MIDNIGHT

New Year's Eve is the one night you're supposed to stay up past your bedtime. But what if you start to nod off early? Here's a list of things to do that will keep you active and alert until midnight.

8:00 PM: Eat all the pigs-in-a-blanket. Wish you had made more.

8:30 PM: Watch the people who are going to the neighbor's party try to park their cars. 9:00 PM: Mix a lot of junk food together to

create a new party mix.

9:30 PM: Hunt for change under the

couch cushions.

10:00 PM: Start counting down until

midnight.

10:02 PM: Get bored counting.

10:30 PM: Splash cold water on your face.

11:00 PM: Pillow fight!!!

11:30 PM: Switch TV channels constantly. Try to figure out how old Dick Clark is. Read your New Year's Countdown (see below). MIDNIGHT: Whoop it up! Drink ginger ale

out of plastic champagne glasses.

Dick Clark: Watching the time in Times Square.

#### Holiday punch and punchlines

Our special begins on page 9 with some jolly

#### NEW YEAR'S COUNTDOWN

One New Year's Eve tradition is to do a countdown. Think of a topic or choose from one of the topics below, and list 10 items for it. Then read them in reverse order from 10 to 1. Don't forget the drum roll.

#### TOPICS

- ·Highlights of the year
- ·Favorite movies of the year
- •Funniest jokes of the year
- ·Stupidest videos of the year
- •Funniest things our pet did this year

#### HO-HO-HOLD IT RIGHT HERE

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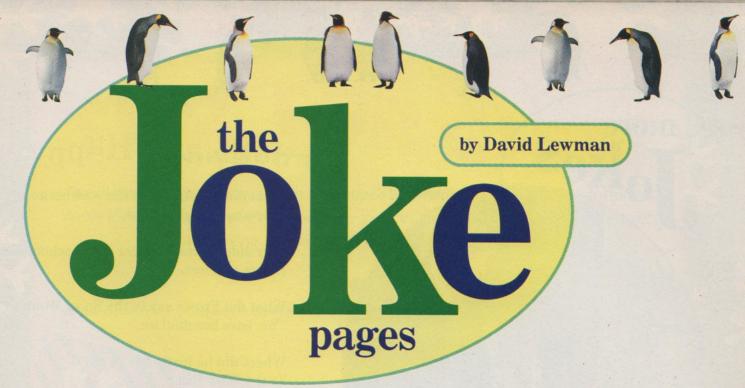
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#### Season's Gigglings

What's the opposite of an icicle? A youcicle.

What do you call someone who makes jokes during the holidays?

A Christmas card.

At the skating party, why did the kid keep cracking jokes?

He was trying to break the ice.

Why did the turkey join the band? He wanted to use his two drumsticks.

What did the waiter say to the rude turkey? "Stop gobbling your food."

What is the squirrels' favorite ballet? "The Nutcracker."

> Why did the bad kid gather sticks in Holly's yard, and then use them to break her Barbie and Ken?

He wanted to wreck the dolls with boughs of Holly.

"Knock, knock."

"Who's there?"

"Aretha."

"Aretha who?"

"A wreath'll look nice on your door."

What does the Grinch eat in the middle of the day?

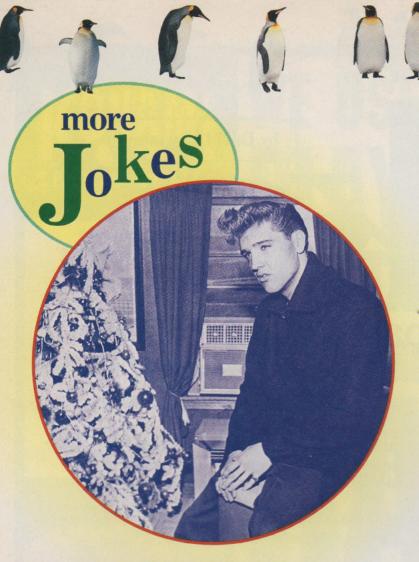
What kind of dressing does he put on his salad? Granch.

What nationality is he? Grench.



Turn the page for more jokes.





#### Ho Ho Ha Ha's

Who wears long sideburns, plays the guitar, and helps Santa? *Elf*is Presley.

Where does Santa get his gardening tools? Frosty the *Hoe*man.

Who has a white beard, a red suit, and a bag full of bandages? Santa *Gauze*.

Who has a white beard, a red suit, and purple skin? Eggplanta Claus.

Which reindeer has the cleanest sink? Comet.

Which reindeer always hangs around until Valentine's Day? Cupid.

Which reindeer always rushes the quarterback? Blitzen.

Which reindeer changed his name to a symbol? The reindeer formerly known as Prancer.

#### Jolly and Happy

What did Frosty say to the weatherman? "Snow news is good news."

Why didn't Frosty appear in the school play? He got cold feet.

What did Frosty say to the Snow Woman? "You have beautiful ice."

Where did he invite her to go? To the Snow Ball.

Did she go with him? No, she gave him the cold shoulder.

Why? He was a little flakey.

What did Frosty say about asking her out again?



## TIPS FOR GIFTS

You'll have a happy holiday season all wrapped up when you heed these helpful hints.

We've included a few gift tags for you, too—just cut'em out, and attach to the great gifts you're giving. Remember to be careful with the scissors!

Wrap your presents early, so everyone can admire them!









S.P.P\* is a definite no-no. (\*sneaky present-peeking)

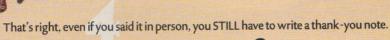
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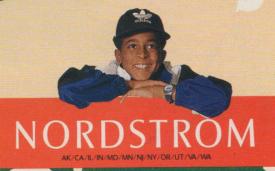




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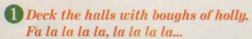


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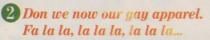
# Jingle bells, this page smells...

Don WE

Holiday music is everywhere in December: in the elevators, in the malls, on the radio, even on the streets. The tunes are familiar—you probably even hum along. But how well do you know the *words* to these seasonal songs? Take our quiz and see. Circle the answer that correctly completes the song lyric. Answers on page 91.



- A. I like Lassie, she's a collie.
- B. 'Tis the season to be jolly.
- C. Trim the tree and call me Wally.
- D. I ate crackers just like Polly.



- A. Trolls look like my Uncle Darryl.
- B. Tolls we pay to see Aunt Carol.
- C. Troll the ancient Yuletide carol.
- D. Ride Niagara Falls inside a barrel.

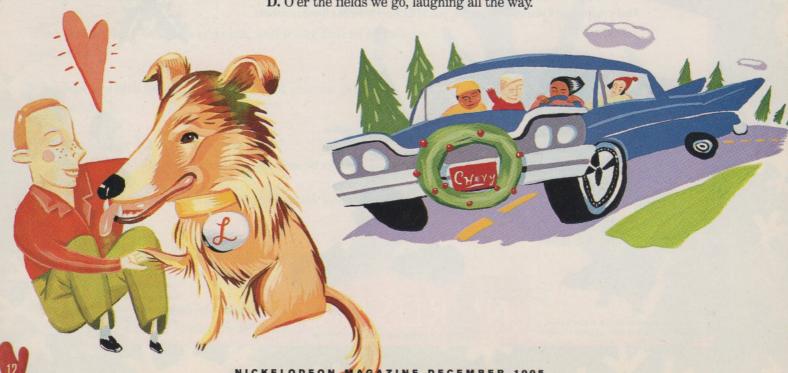


3 Dashing through the snow, in a one-horse open sleigh...

- A. To the mall we go, fighting all the way.
- B. Grandma was the horse, and ate lots of hav.
- C. Oh, dreidel, dreidel, I made it out of clay.
- D. O'er the fields we go, laughing all the way.

1) Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way. Oh what fun it is to ride...

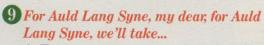
- A. In a one-horse open sleigh.
- B. On a street that is one way.
- C. On a great big dinner tray.
- D. In a big blue Chevrolet.





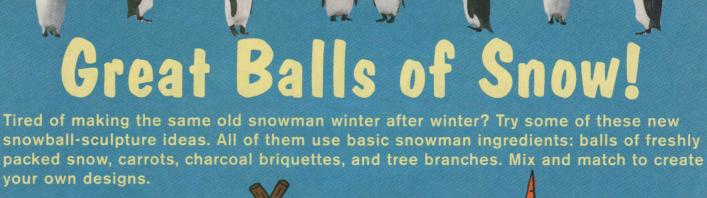
- 5 Rudolph, the Red-nosed Reindeer, had a very shiny nose. And if you ever saw it...
  - A. You would stop and smell a rose.
  - B. You would duck when it blows.
  - C. You would even say it glows.
  - D. You would bend and touch your toes.
- 6 All of the other reindeer, used to laugh and call him names. They never let poor Rudolph...
  - A. Put his nose against windowpanes.
  - B. Join the Reindeer Hall of Fame.
  - C. Join in any reindeer games.
  - D. Go out with any reindeer dames.
- Rudolph, with your nose so bright...
  - A. Won't you guide my sleigh tonight?
  - B. In the dark you give us light.
  - C. Do you know Wilbur and Orville Wright?
  - D. After the bakeshop, take a right.
- 8 On the fifth day of Christmas my true love sent to me...
  - A. Five golden girls, four credit cards, three French breads, two girdle sales, and something brown and hairy.
  - B. Five golden fries, four calling cards, three French horns, two turtle shells, and the entire Partridge family.
  - C. Five golden things, four falling arches, three henchmen, two purple gloves, and a collar so my dog won't have fleas.
  - D. Five golden rings, four calling birds, three french hens, two turtledoves, and a partridge in a pear tree.



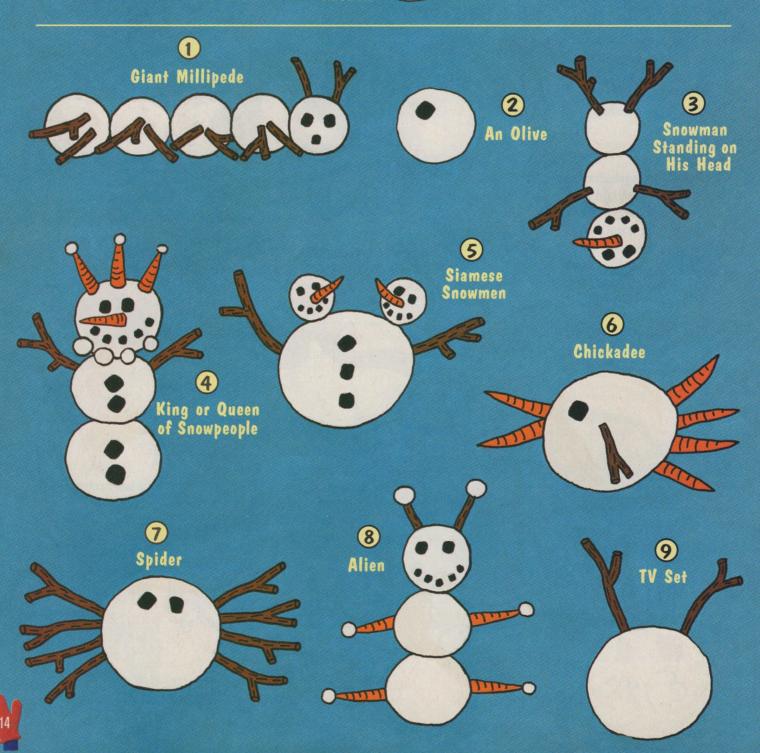


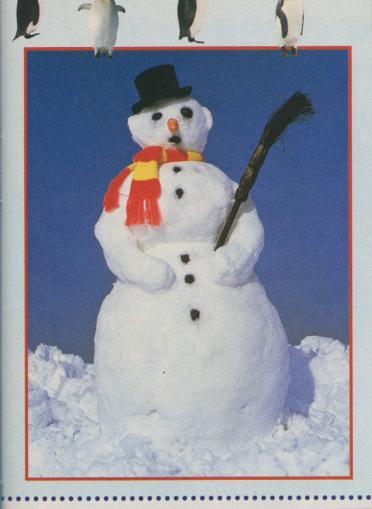
- A. Two eggs over easy, a side order of hash browns.
- B. A cup of coffee black for Auld Lang Syne.
- C. A cup of kindness yet for Auld Lang Syne.
- D. A brief commercial break for Auld Lang Syne.
- M Should auld acquaintance be forgot...
  - A. Check in the lost and found.
  - B. And never brought to mind?
  - C. And lost where none can find?
  - D. Or sit on its behind?











# Are You a

by Brian Kaplan

If any of the following describes you, perhaps you are made entirely of snow. Check all that apply.

- Whenever you are introduced to someone, you shake branches.
- All the dandruff shampoo in the world can't control your flakes.
- Your nose is edible.
- You don't tan; you melt.
- For your yearbook photo, all you wore was a scarf and a smelly old hat.
- The idea of snow cones gives you the chills.
- Your biggest fear is being shoveled.



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Bring Home the world's favorite Twins on Video! \* Mail-In Rebate when you buy both of these Olsen Twins Videos!





# 24 Hours in a Mall

During the holidays you may spend a lot of time at the mall. But could you stay for an entire day? We challenged ROBIN SAYERS to spend 24 hours in the nation's biggest mall and entertainment complex—the Mall of America—in Bloomington, Minnesota. The Mall has more than 400 stores, and it's so big that thirty-two 747 airplanes could be parked under its roof. Did Robin survive? Read her diary and find out.

#### 10:00 AM



Open sesame: Ready or not, here I come.

#### 10:30 AM



Land of the lost: I figure I should check out the Lost and Found in case I get lost. Shanon Wells is in charge, and she shows me some of the 600 lost items that have been found in the last month. I ask her, "What's the weirdest thing that someone has ever turned in?" Shanon's answer: "False teeth!"

#### 11:00 AM



Get a load of this: I help Steve unload some 50-pound bags of potatoes at the loading dock. That's a lot of french fries.

#### 11:30 AM



What a doll: I was getting lonely, so I thought I'd come to the Chapel of Love and try meeting someone. More than 400 couples have been married here since the mall opened in 1992. At the last minute, I decide not to marry a mannequin. I need a guy with more personality.

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#### 12:30 PM



Lunch!: But there are too many choices. I decide on one of everything: a corn dog, a hot dog, pizza, a Reuben sandwich, a tub of hot fries, a Walleye (fish) on a stick, a soft drink, two egg rolls and a fortune cookie, a frozen cherry yogurt in a waffle cone with rainbow sprinkles, barbecued ribs, and fried rice. I'm full. But I have a full day ahead, so it's okay.

#### 1:00 PM



@Mall.com: Maybe I should try learning something while I'm here. I stop by the Metropolitan Learning Alliance and take a class on the Internet. After 30 minutes, I'm surfing the Web.

#### 2:00 PM



Future fish: It's doesn't look like much right now, but this is where they're constructing the nation's second largest aquarium.

#### 2:30 PM



Slice of life: I've been at the mall so long I feel like I work here. So why not get a job? I hop behind the counter at Subway and make a meatball sub with everything on it. Dave, the assistant manager, wants to hire me. But he says, "You should be a little less generous with your portions."

#### 3:00 PM



Recess: After class and work, it's time for a break with some video games.

#### 3:30 PM



A big splash: I wander over to the amusement park, where I try the flume ride. Bad idea: I get soaked.

#### 4:00 PM





Va-va-vaom: I look like a drowned rat. I go to Glamour Shots, a place that gives make-overs. Betsy fixes me up. Then Jodi, the photographer, has me strike a pose: "Now say, 'Yes!" she says. So I look into the camera and say, "Yes!" They want me to order a life-size wall mural of myself as one of Santa's helpers. I say "No!"



#### 5:00 PM



Monitoring the situation: I stop by the security office to see if there's anything I'm missing.

#### 6:00 PM



Taking aim: Enough of the fancy stuff-time to get back on target. At Oshman's Supersports USA you can shoot baskets, hit baseballs, and inline skate. And there's even archery. No bull's-eye, but close.

#### 7:00 PM



Drawing it out: Matthew, a caricaturist, captures my mall mood on paper.

#### 8:00 PM



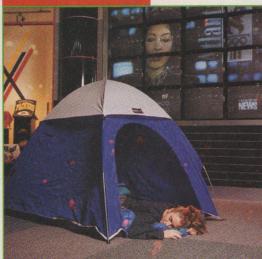
Say Cheese: Dick Rybicki, the owner of Rybicki Cheese, Ltd., gives me cheddar cheese curds. I ask Dick if he wears his cheese hat at home. "Oh, once in a while," he says. "But only on special occasions."

#### 9:30 PM



Show time: All the stores are closing, so I decide to catch a flick. The ticket seller suggests Angus. I'm so tired that I'm just happy I finally get to sit back and relax and enjoy a show.

#### 12:00 Midnight



Making camp: What a day. I'm beat. I set up my tent in the West Market and fall asleep watching 16 televisions.

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#### 8:00 AM



Wake-up walk: I get up early so I don't get trampled by the hundreds of Mall Stars, who exercise every morning by walking around the mall. Awards are given out to people who have walked 100, 500, even 1,000 hours in the mall.

#### 9:30 AM



Crabby cure: I'm starting to feel exhausted. Had I walked too much? Was I starting to crack up after 23 hours? I go to the mall's health center. Nurse Ella's diagnosis: over-shopping. I ask her what the symptoms are. She says, "When you start to get crabby, it's a sign that you've shopped too much, and it's time to go."



#### 10:00 AM



Will it never end?: I've done it!

Twenty-four hours in the mall! But
now I can't find my car in the parking
lot. Will I be stuck here forever?

Luckily, the help phone gives me
directions to my car. I'm free!



# If Nickelodeon toys are by Mattel what you

lack, come to TARGET for

stuff like Smud,

Floam and

Nickelodeon toys are running low, where's the place for you to go? Tick. Tick. Tick. Time's up.

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you mush, **squish**, squeeze and **mold** to
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name it. So if you're looking for more Nickelodeon™ toys

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And stock up on the good stuff.





# NIFTY, THRIFTY, MAKESHIFTY GIFTIES

Are you stumped about what presents to give for the holidays? Our suggestion: Turn your old school supplies into high-class gifts.



#### A STUNNING CONVERSATION PIECE!

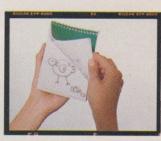
Jingle bells and ribbon transform a protractor into holiday wind chimes, or perhaps a saddle decoration for a pet reindeer. Geometry never sounded so good.



**DESIGNER JEWELRY!** Brass paper fasteners become rings when you decorate them with buttons, glitter, and glue. A beautiful way to help someone ring in the New Year.

#### A HOME **ENTERTAINMENT** SYSTEM!

Turn your half-used homework notebook into a flip book. Your friends will flip for it.

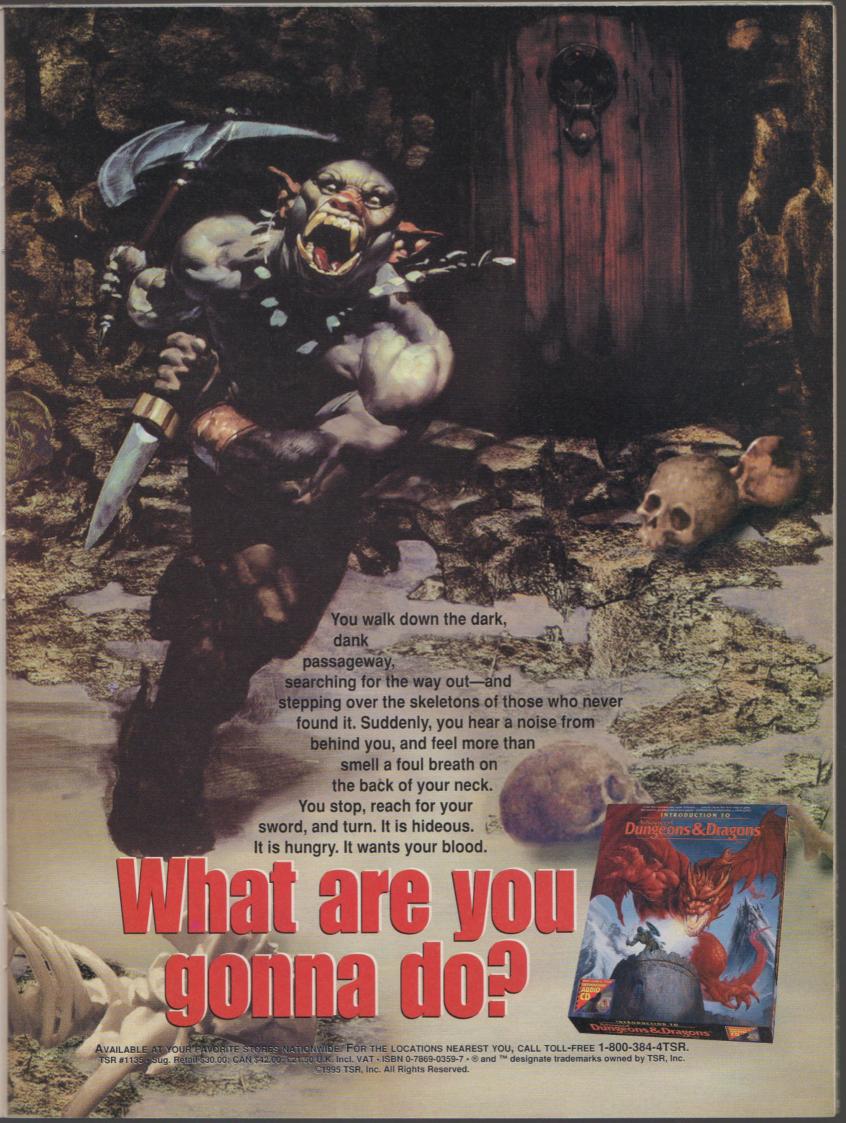








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# The Flake Family PHOTO ALBUM

We found this photo album stuck in a snowdrift outside our offices. As far as we can tell, it belongs to someone named Fern Flake.



Great-Grandpa Bob Sled on his wedding day. After he married Great-Grandma Thelma, everything went downhill.



Grandpa Whitey Flake waved good-bye as he was carted off to a one-horse town.



Uncle Drifty sued his travel agent after he was sent to the slopes instead of the shore.

PROPERTY OF: Fern Flake



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Mom and Dad had a gas on the slopes.



My twin cousins, Fifi and Fiona Flake, loved ice fishing. Fifi was happy to be the bait.



Aunt Lorna and Uncle Lou Lutz skated professionally, but their marriage was always on thin ice.



At our family reunion, cousins Flora and Phil and Franklin and Frieda played freeze tag.



Me and my date, Toby Boggin, heading off to the big Snow Ball Dance at Abominable High School.

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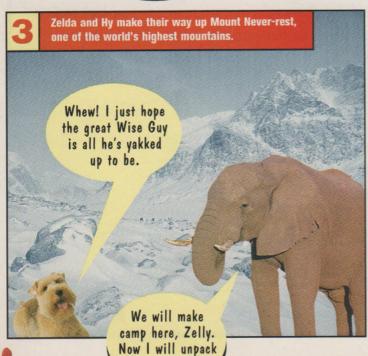


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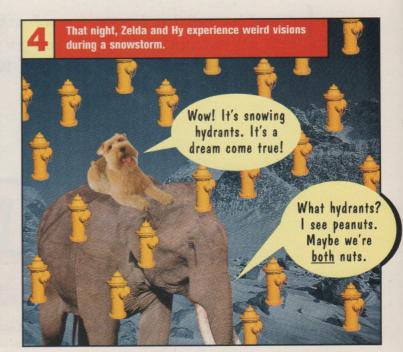
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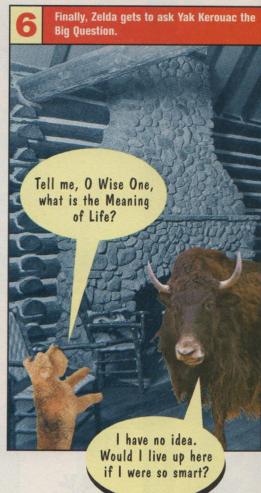




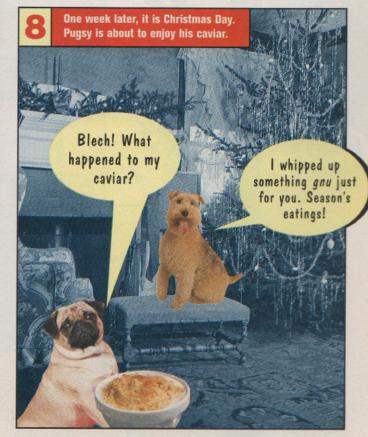
my trunk.











### December

| Sunday   | Monday   | TUESDAY  | Wednesday   | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY   | SATURDAY   |
|--|--|--|---|---|--|--|
| NICKELODEON magazine   | **   | **   | **  | *   | <b>1</b> Happy New Year! Just kidding.                       | 2  Napoleon Bonaparte crowned Emperor of France, 1804  Make French toast.    |
| Illinois becomes the 21st state, 1818 Get to thinkin' like Abe Lincoln.                  | 4 Wear mismatched socks.   | Walt Disney born, 1901 Eat cheese.   | Thomas Edison finishes making the first phonograph, 1877 Turn it up!                                    | Madame Tussaud born, 1760 Clean the wax out of your ears. | 8 Mother's Day in Panama Buy your mother a Panama hat.       | Clarence Birdseye born,<br>1886<br>And it took him two<br>hours to thaw.     |
| 10<br>Write your name<br>backward.   | George Washington retreats across the Delaware River, 1776 He should have been wearing a life preserver. | Beethoven takes his first music lesson from Haydn, 1792 And then they played Haydn-seek.                       | Dick Van Dyke born,<br>1925<br>Trip over a footstool.   | 14 Nostradamus born, 1503 Just as he predicted.           | Alexandre Eiffel born,<br>1832<br>Tower above<br>the others. | 16 The Boston Tea Party, 1773 Create a brouhaha.                             |
| 17 Wright Brothers' Day If you're flying, hang a Wright.                                 | 18 Ty Cobb born, 1886 Be a big hit.  First day of Hanukkah   | National Hockey League<br>begins its first profes-<br>sional season, 1917<br>They were skating<br>on thin ice. | The Louisiana Purchase, made for \$18 a square mile, completed, 1803 They threw in the gators for free. | 21  The longest night of the year Sleep on it.            | <b>22</b> First day of winter Find your mittens.             | Peast of the Radishes in Mexico When is Siesta of the Turnips?               |
| 24 Christmas Eve Get out the cookies and milk.  31 New Year's Eve Get your kicks in '96. | 25 Sir Isaac Newton born, 1642 Throw up an apple. Christmas Day  | 26 Boxing Day Get punchy.  First day of Kwanzaa  | 27 Louis Pasteur born, 1822 Make a milkshake.   | 28<br>Speak in pig Latin.                                 | 29 Texas becomes the 28th state, 1845 Be a lone star.        | 30<br>Rudyard Kipling born,<br>1865<br>It's like a Jungle Book<br>out there. |

# VOU GAN PREDICT 1996

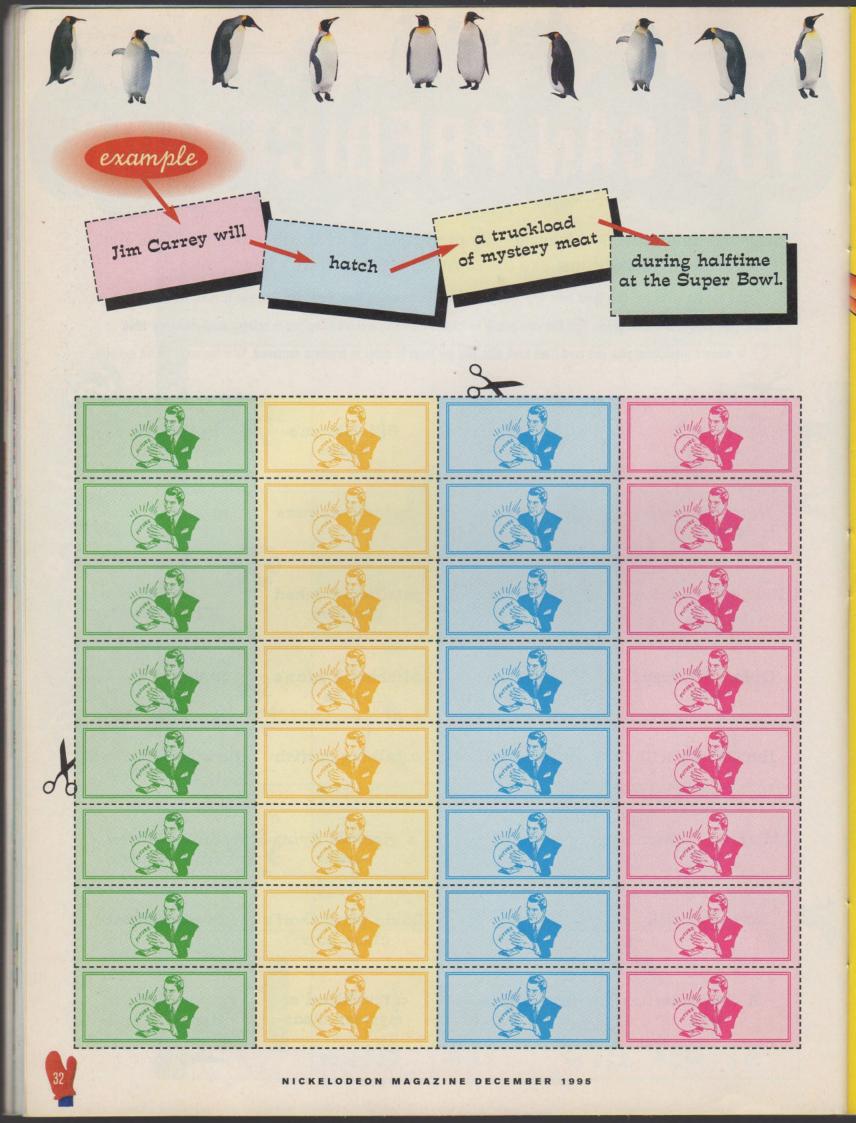
Now is the time when people make silly predictions of what will happen in 1996. You too can make predictions just like the so-called experts. Here's how:

① Cut out the cards and turn them over. ② Sort them into piles based on their color: The first pile is pink, the second is blue, then yellow, and then green. ③ Get your family or friends together, and tell them you're making predictions for 1996.

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4 To make a prediction, pick one card from each pile, and lay them in order to create a sentence. Turn the page for an example.

|                          |                            | ,                                |                                       |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| You will                 | eat                        | Bill Clinton's<br>brain          | in the school<br>nurse's office.      |
| Newt Gingrich<br>will    | give birth to              | cocktail weiners                 | in a local mall.                      |
| Your gym teacher<br>will | turn into                  | petrified mashed<br>potatoes     | at the<br>White House.                |
| Oprah Winfrey<br>will    | do the<br>Hokey-Pokey with | Michael Jordan's<br>socks        | on national TV.                       |
| Jim Carrey will          | marry                      | a talking catfish                | during halftime at<br>the Super Bowl. |
| Michael Jackson<br>will  | hatch                      | a gigantic flying<br>saucer      | on board the<br>space shuttle.        |
| Roseanne will            | kidnap                     | David Hasselhoff's<br>chest hair | in a love nest.                       |
| A classmate<br>will      | try to kiss                | a truckload of<br>mystery meat   | on a<br>desert island.                |





# AULD LANG SYNE, ONE MORE TIME!

There's one song that people sing every New Year's Eve, even though most of them don't understand it.

What's "Auld Lang Syne" mean, anyway? We looked it up: It means "old long since." In other words, "the good old days." If you're tired of the same *auld* lyrics, try our three new songs instead—to the tune of "Auld Lang Syne," of course.

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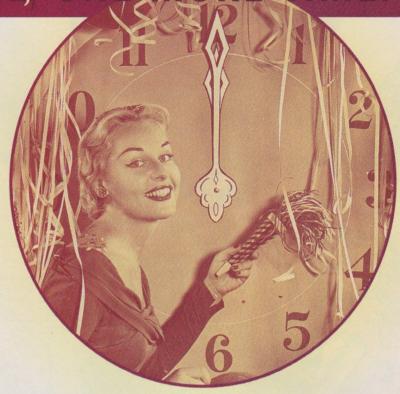
Should auld acquaintance be forgot And never brought to mind? Should auld acquaintance be forgot And days of Auld Lang Syne?

For Auld Lang Syne, my dear, For Auld Lang Syne, We'll take a cup of kindness yet For Auld Lang Syne.

2

We gave a shout and ran about Till the baby-sitter said, "It's getting late, bed is your fate To sleep you will be led."

"No way, it's New Year's Eve," we say.
"Tonight we stay up late.
So just relax and pass the snacks.
The pillow has to wait."



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Should older siblings push around The younger ones who whine? Should little sprouts throw fits and pout And scream, "Let go, that's mine!"?

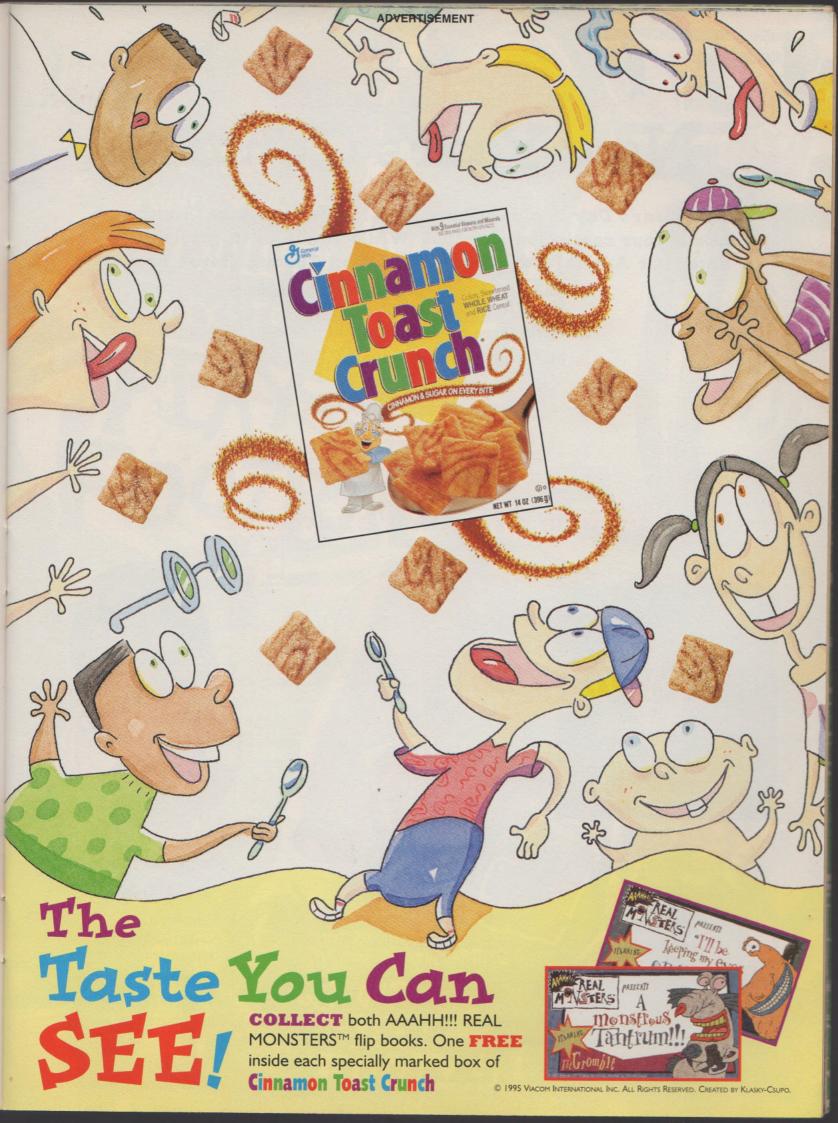
No, New Year's is the time to end This brother/sister fight. We'll share our one remote control And peace will reign tonight.

3

Old mounds of lard and balls of snot And teeny-tiny fleas, Plus chewed-up gum, bright-green pond scum And squashy squished-up bees.

Add brussels sprouts and itching bouts And wasps and ants and ticks. All things we hope we will avoid In the year of '96.









## New Year's Contest

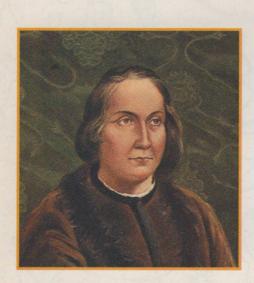
New Year's Day is almost here, and it's time to start thinking about your resolutions for 1996. While you're at it, resolve to enter our Annual New Year's Resolution Contest. Here's how:

- 1. Choose a famous person, real or made-up, from the past or today.
- 2. Write three resolutions for him or her.
- 3. Mail your entry by January 7, 1996, to:

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NICKELODEON MAGAZINE
1515 Broadway, 41st floor
New York, NY 10036

Please include your name, age, address, and phone number.

#### Here are some examples:



#### Christopher Columbus

- 1. Play shuffleboard with the crew.
- 2. Get a good map.
- 3. Rename my ships Yakko, Wakko, and Dot.



#### Tweety

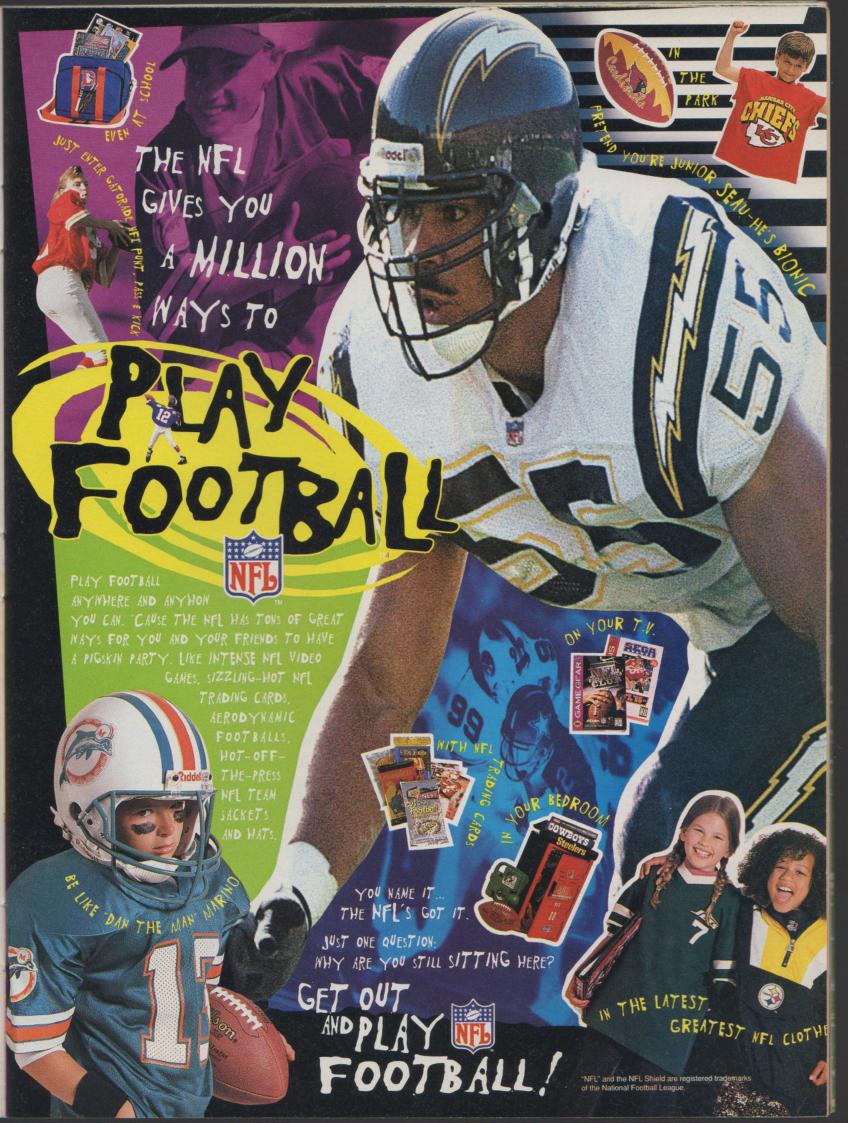
- 1. Make nice with Sylvester.
- 2. Grow a fourth strand of hair.
- 3. Build up my body until it is the same size as my head.



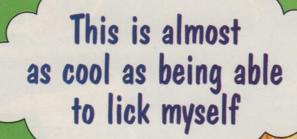
#### Sandra Bullock

- 1. Slow down.
- 2. Next time, take the train instead of the bus.
- 3. Spend less time online.

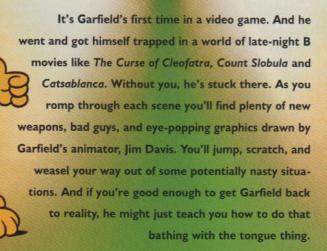
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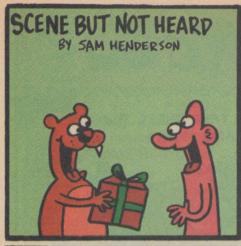


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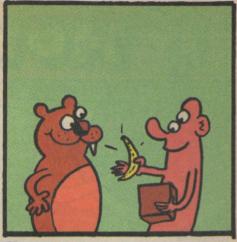
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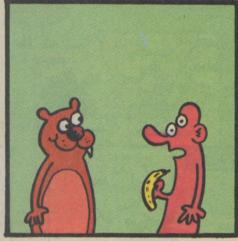
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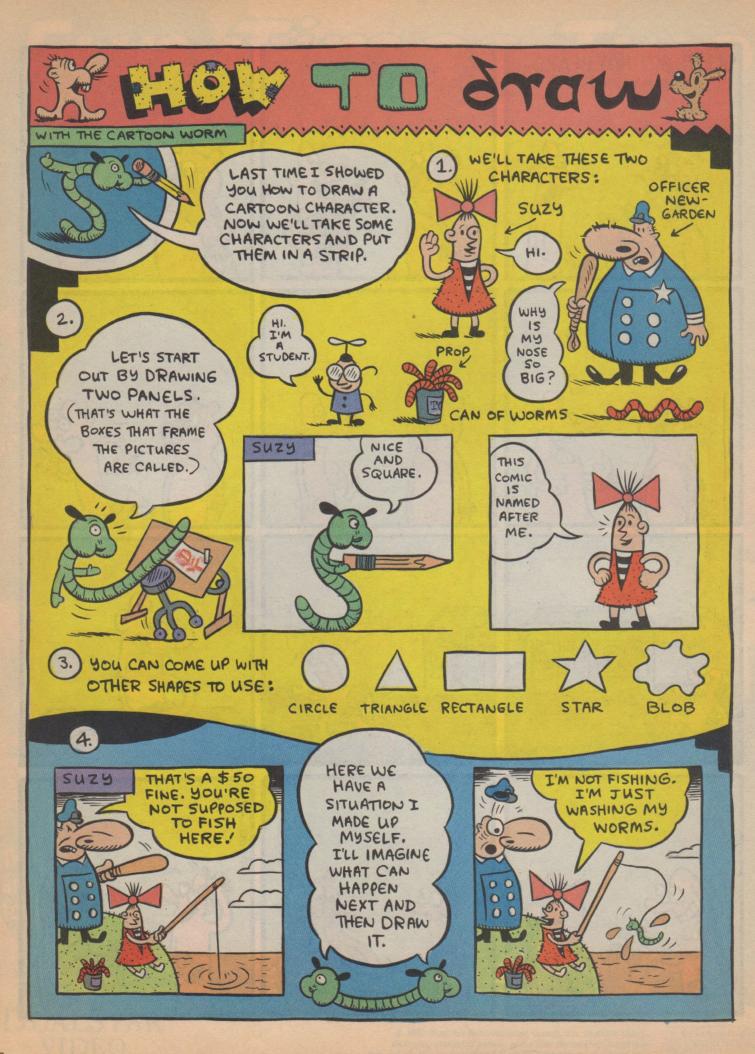


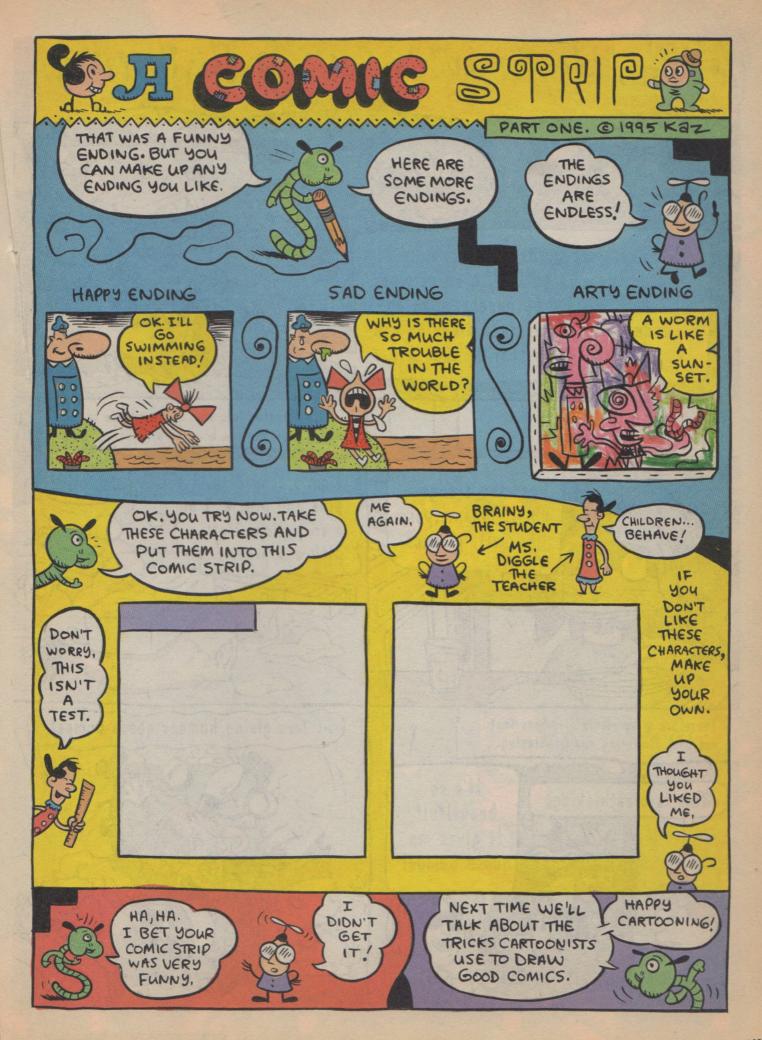














# The Gromble's Guide To The Gruesome:



One strategy is to cover up as much of your foul flesh as possible.

Pass the sludge...
uh...l mean...pass
the salt, please!

be your key to scaring success.

Or try blending into your surroundings by posing as a common household object.

I am a soap dish. I am pink and pretty. I am a soap dish. I am pink and pretty.

There are many clever disguises that are both flattering and frightening.



I love giving humans goose bumps!











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This ridiculous rhyme first appeared in a comic book called *Hedy De Vine*, published in October 1947. It was drawn by Basil Wolverton, who was called the creator of the "spaghetti and meatball school of art."

# PICTURE POEMS ABOUT PECULIAR PEOPLE





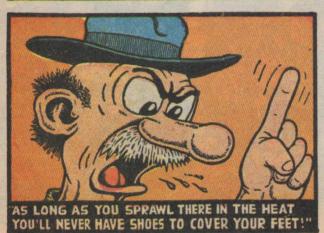
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by David Lewman

After you've decked the halls with boughs of holly, make sure you leave your callers feeling jolly. How? Spruce up your telephone answering machine by recording these messages.

Note: Be sure to get your parents' permission before recording these.

#### Message #1: At the sound of the beep, melt.

This message needs two people: one person to be Frosty, the other to provide sound effects. For the sound effects, you'll need a cup of water and an empty cup to pour the water into. Keep water away from the answering machine. Also, put your last name in the blanks.

I'm glad I didn't leave

ddle on the carpet

#### Message #2: Keep a secret, please.

For this message, you need two people.

Actor #1: Happy holidays! We'd answer the phone, but we're too busy wrapping presents.

Actor #2: Which reminds me, did we get anything for you-know-who?

Actor #1: Who?

Actor #2: (whispers loudly) The person who's calling!

**Actor #1:** Oh, yes, we bought a very nice present for you-know-who.

Actor #2: Who?

Actor #1: The caller, jingle-bell brains!

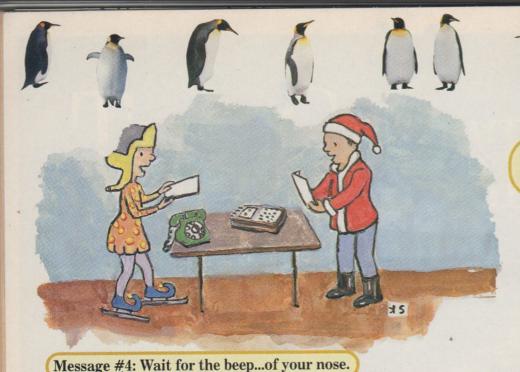
Actor #2: Oh, right. What'd we buy?

Actor #1: A really nice...hey! We can't ruin the surprise!

Actor #2: Oh, wait! I remember!

Actor #1: So anyway, leave us a message...
Actor #2: Because we're too busy wrapping
your case of canned turnips.





For this message, you need two people.

Santa: Oh, Rudolph! Rudolph: Yes, Santa?

Santa: Rudolph, with your nose so bright, won't you guide my sleigh

tonight?

Rudolph: Sorry, Santa. No can do.

Santa: Why not?

Rudolph: My bulb blew.

Santa: You mean...you blew your

nose?

Rudolph: Yup.

Santa: Well, just take the red bulb out of this answering machine. Rudolph: Okay, then callers can leave a message at the sound of

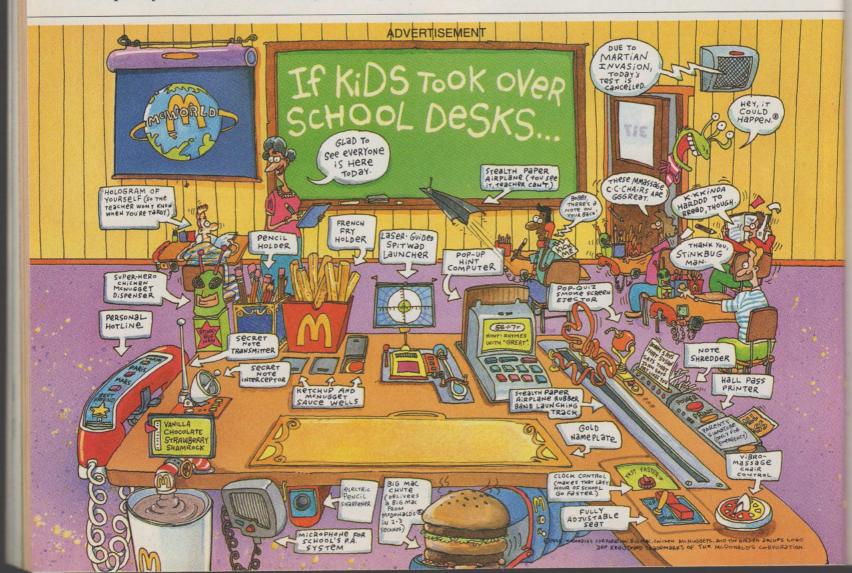
my nose beeping.

Message #5:

Although it's been said many times many ways—here's a new way.

For this message, you need tissue paper and a recording of choir music.

You: Hi, we'd love to come to the phone, but we're roasting chestnuts on an open fire (crinkle tissue paper to sound like fire), and Jack Frost keeps nipping at our noses (someone else says "Ouch!" in the background), and there's a choir here dressed up like Eskimos (play a recording of a choir). Everybody knows we've got to stuff the turkey with mistletoe and cook some tiny Tater Tots until their eyes start to glow, so please leave us a simple message from one to 92...words long. Thanks! (Crinkle tissue paper loudly, play choir music, and cry "Ouch!")



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# DOUBLETALIQUATEJUOG

by Craig Hansen

"Otto" is more than just another name—it's also a palindrome. A palindrome is a word or a sentence that is spelled the same way backward and forward. Hidden below is one phrase that is *not* a palindrome. To figure it out, write each phrase backward on the spaces provided. Answer on page 91.

RESALE LASER
WEREWOLF REFLOW
TEST-TUBE BUTT SET
TACO CAT
Id like to take a bite
of a taco cat.

### Useful Foreign Phrases



This holiday season, amaze your friends and family with your knowledge of Icelandic.



Happy New Year! Gleðilegt nýár!

GLETH-i-lehkt NEE-yowr!

My noggin is clogged with eggnog.

Kollurinn á mér er fullur af eggjasulli.

CODDL-oor-in ow myer er FOODL-oor af EGG-ya-soodl-i.

I'm from another planet. What's your excuse?

Ég er frá annarri plánetu. Hvaða afsökun hefur þú?

YEHG er frow ANN-ar-i PLOW-ne-too. HVATH-a AF-si-koon HEV-oor thoo?



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Thomas: Vegetables.

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1. Headstock, 2. Neck, 3. Tuners, 4. Fretboard, 5. Pickups, 6. Tone and Volume controls

#### Nickelodeon Magazine:

Do you sing in the shower? Lenny Kravitz: No.

I'm a horrible singer.

I'm a howl-ible singer

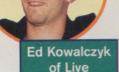
Lenny Kravitz

#### Nickelodeon Magazine:

Have you always called the band Live?

Ed Kowalczyk of Live:

We've had a bunch of names. The one that lasted the longest was Public Affection.



White Zombie

#### Nickelodeon Magazine:

When the four of you are driving together, who gets to pick the radio station?

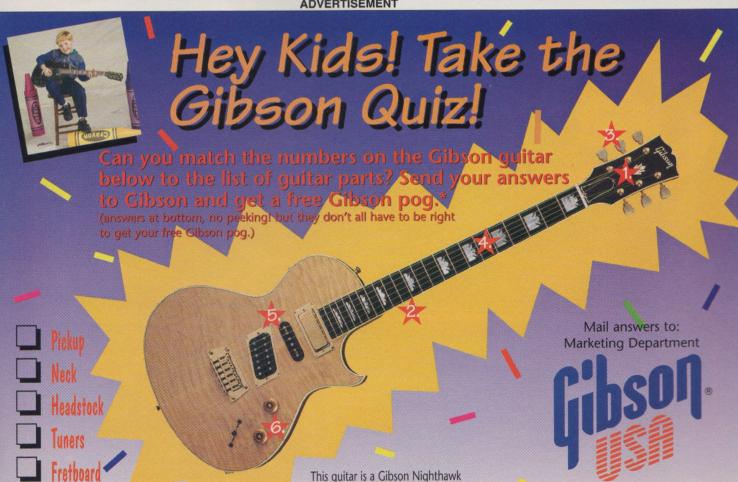
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Answers on page 91.

The word: grampus (GRAM-pus)

a. A kind of giant scorpion

Example: Jared almost lost his lunch when he saw a *grampus* in the Arizona desert.

b. A secret language only old people understand

Example: My grandparents sometimes speak *grampus* if they don't want us kids to know what they're talking about.

c. A very expensive kind of cheese that is aged for one hundred years

Example: Arnold Schwarzenegger is so rich that he can afford to eat *grampus* with every meal.

The word: bosh (BOSH)

a. A soggy doughnut

Example: Be careful you don't drop your doughnut in the bathtub, or you'll end up with a **bosh**.

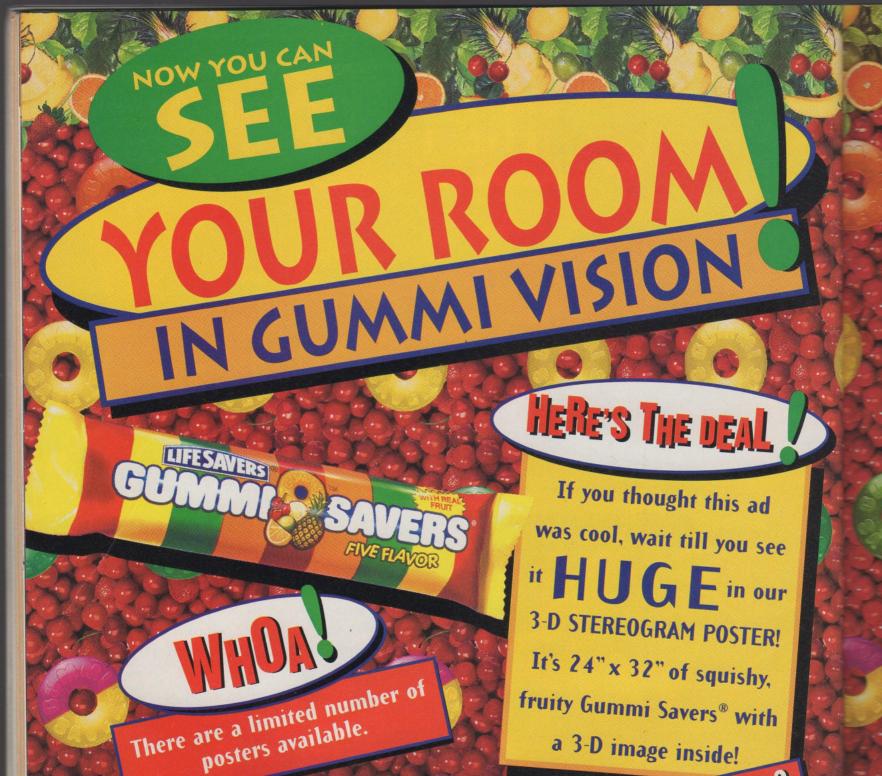
b. A dance performed by wiggling your hands.

Example: Ollie's hands were sore after spending the entire concert in the **bosh** pit.

c. Foolish talk

Example: Ms. Turnipseed said that my idea to turn old staples into computer chips was just a bunch of **bosh**.





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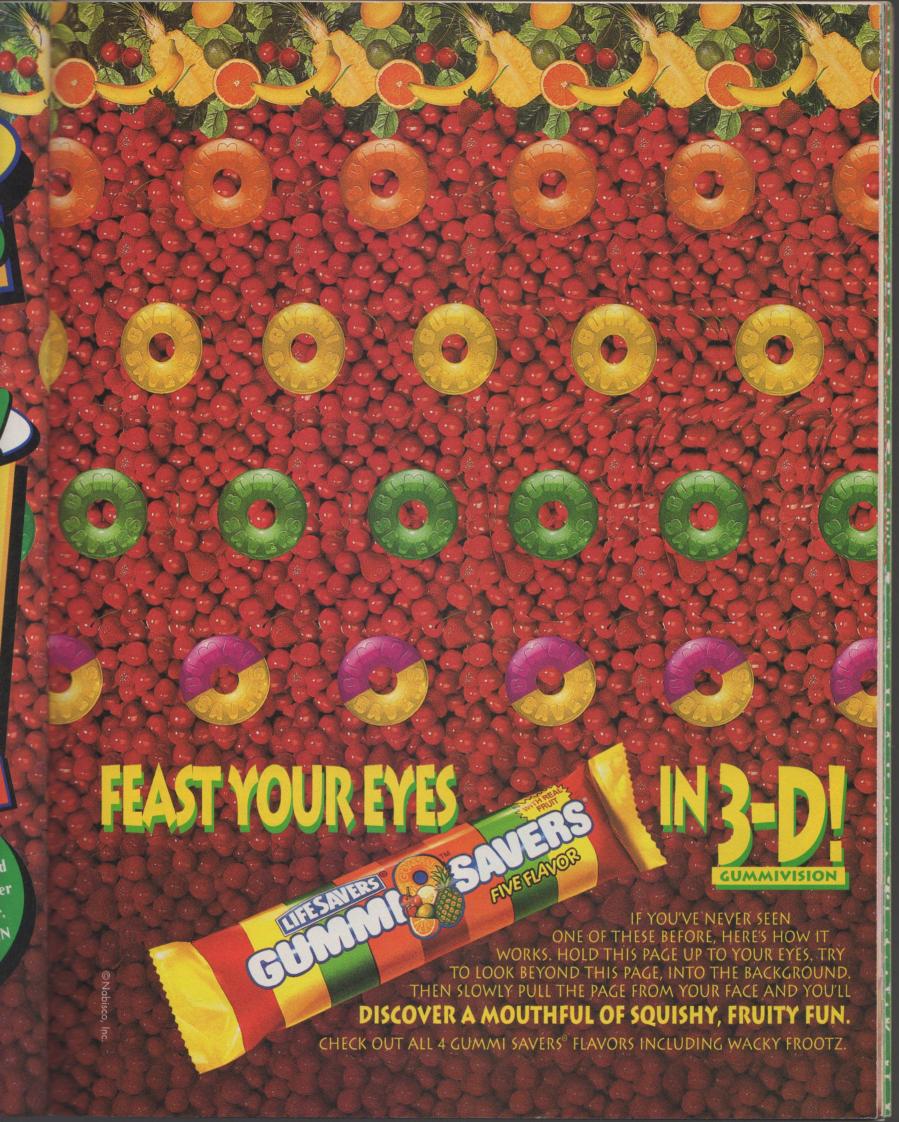
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#### What do they eat?

Mostly squid, octopus, fish, and small sharks.

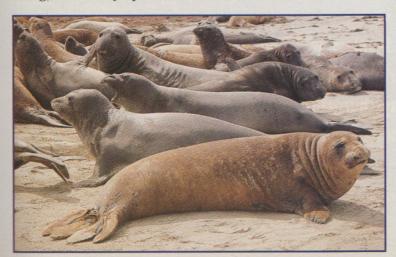


#### What's with the funny nose?

Only males have the long, floppy snout, and when they're angry, they inflate their noses and roar loudly.

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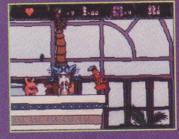


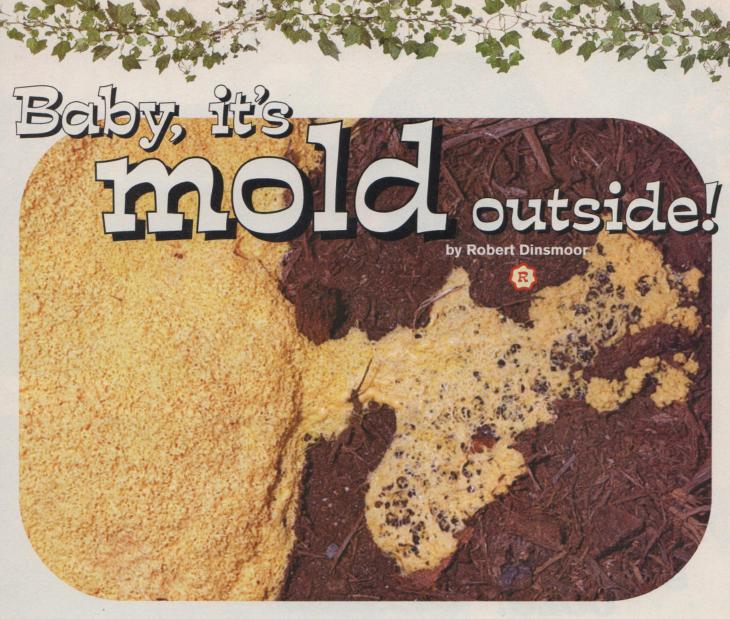
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# If you see a huge yellow blob oozing across your lawn, don't panic-it could be a slime mold.

Slime molds can be creepy, literally. Some people have spotted the live jellylike blobs and thought they were aliens from outer space. It's no wonder: They pulsate and crawl along the ground, and if you try-to hose them down, they just break up into smaller pieces and continue to grow bigger. One kind of slime mold is so gross-looking that it's called Deer Vomit.

You can find slime molds (assuming you really want to) moving slowly through dead logs or traveling across the forest floor. The molds can be red, pink, violet, yellow, or clear, and may reach three feet in width. One scientist found a slime mold that was one yard wide and 10 yards long!

Plasmodial slime molds, called myxomycetes (pronounced *mix-oh-MY-seats*), aren't plants or animals, but they can act like both. They change their form many times during different stages of life. In their crawling stage, they form weird blobs that can creep one or more inches per hour.

Some people find slime molds so fascinating that they keep them as pets. *Physarum* slime molds—which are used in biology classes and labs—grow fast, and their bright yellow color is pretty to look at. They can grow on wet paper towels and can be kept in a jar, or on a plate covered with plastic wrap. They like to live in dark places and feed on oatmeal flakes.

One Japanese man loved his slime molds so much that he kept them in his garden and trained his cats to protect the molds from garden slugs. And an American woman kept one in a dish in her living room for nine years.

As pets, slime molds may never be as popular as dogs, but they sure are lovable lumps. If one follows you home, why don't you keep it?



# On your mark, get set, ooze!

Slime mold racing can be just as exciting as horse racing—it just takes a lot longer. Each year, students in Dr. Robert Cummings' plant biology class, at Santa Barbara City College in California, enter their slime molds in a five-day track event.

Each student or team picks a slime mold and gives it a name like Sliming Mold-tilda, Robo-Mold, or Wizard of Ooze. They put each slime mold at the starting line of a track which is one-inch wide and three-feet long. The track is covered with agar, a type of gelatin, and oatmeal flakes are scattered along the trail up to the finish line.

The race begins on a Wednesday and lasts until the following Monday. Some slime molds travel as much as five feet, turning around at the finish line and doubling back toward the start because they want to stay on the agar. Sometimes the winning slime molds are dried up and saved until the next year's race. Other times, Dr. Cummings takes the crawling competitors to the woods and sets them free.

Top: Students prepare tracks for the 10th annual slime mold race. Bottom: An entrant stretches to reach the 100-millimeter mark and to engulf a yummy catmeal flake.



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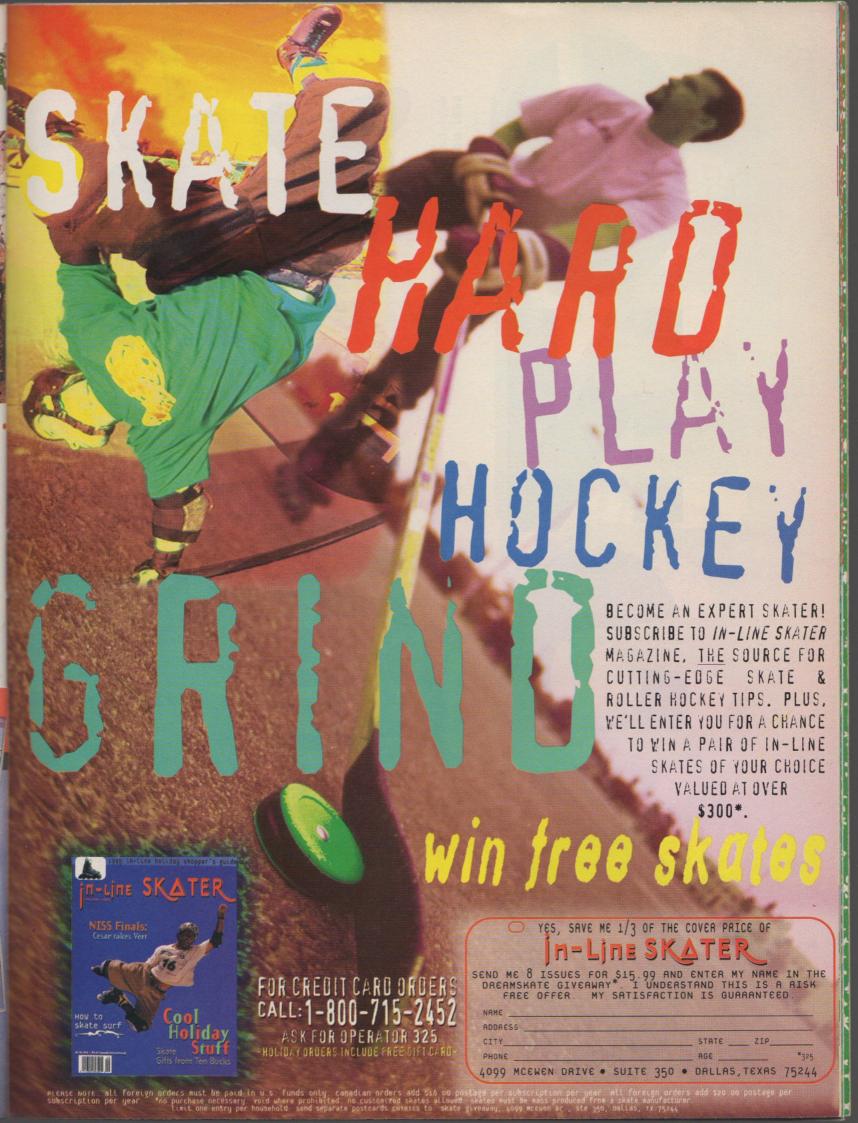
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# Wall-to-Wall Rugrats



Rugrats Quiz

Nickelodeon's Rugrats are a group of kids—led by a baby named Tommy Pickles—who like to go off on adventures when their parents aren't looking. Test your knowledge of these popular pip-squeaks. Circle the answers you think are correct. Answers on page 91.



#### 1. How does Angelica act around adults?

- A. Like a big meanie
- B. Extra sweet and nice
- C. Quiet as a mouse

#### 2. How are Phil and Lil related?

- A. They're twins.
- B. They're cousins.
- C. Phil is Lil's pet parakeet.

#### 3. What is Tommy's dog's name?

- A. Sparko
- B. Spike
- C. Spit

#### 4. What is Reptar?

- A. An insect repellent
- B. A reptile-shaped guitar
- C. A movie monster

#### 5. What would Chuckie most likely say during an adventure?

- A. "This is another fine mess I've gotten us into!"
- B. "We're doomed!"
- C. "Goo-goo, ga-ga."

#### 6. Who often baby-sits for the kids?

- A. Grandpa
- B. Alex Mack
- C. Angelica

#### 7. Which of the following has not happened to Tommy?

- A. He was sorted by a postal mail machine.
- B. He met the President.
- C. He rode in a shopping cart.

#### 8. What is Grandpa's nickname for Tommy?

- A. Skeezix
- B. Scout
- C. Scruff

#### 9. What does Tommy's dad do for a living?

- A. He walks dogs.
- B. He invents toys.
- C. He's a soybean farmer.

#### 10. How can you tell Phil from Lil?

- A. Lil wears a pink bow in her hair.
- B. Phil has a beard.
- C. Phil only speaks Hungarian.

#### 11. What are Didi's parents names?

- A. Boris and Natasha
- B. Doris and Stinker
- C. Boris and Minka

#### 12. According to Angelica, who is the boss?

- A. Tony Danza
- B. She is
- C. Bruce Springsteen

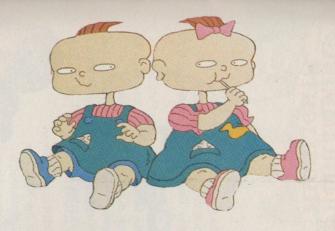
#### 13. Which video would Didi Pickles most likely watch?

- A. How to Make 500 Kinds of Tuna Salad
- B. How to Raise Children
- C. How to Style Kids' Hair

### 14. What is the first name of Tommy's grandpa?

- A. Lou
- B. Stu
- C. Drew





#### 15. What is Chuckie's last name?

- A. Finster
- B. Finch
- C. Funnie

#### 16. What are Phil's and Lil's full first names?

- A. Phillard and Lillard
- B. Philip and Lillian
- C. Philmore and Lilliput

#### 17. When adults are around, how do the Rugrats act?

- A. Like babies: They coo and cry.
- B. Like cats: They scratch and meow.
- C. Like vacuum cleaners: They eat dirt off the floor and scare the dog.

#### 18. Who often rescues Tommy from doom?

- A. Spike the dog
- B. Lassie
- C. Angelica



#### **ASK THE** BOSS LADY

Where you ask the president of Nickelodeon, Geraldine B. Laybourne, anything you want.

#### Do you have any pictures of yourself as a kid?

Here's a photo of me and my sisters and my brother one

Christmas. I'm the tall one on the right in the white gown. Every year, my mother would dress us in costumes for the family Christmas card. Once, we were photographed covered in flour and dough, as if we were in the middle of making Christmas cookies. Another time we got to be cowgirls and cowboys.

#### Did your parents ever embarrass you in public?

Of course, they did-isn't that what parents are supposed to do?!? Once we were on a family vacation and we rented an apartment next door to a big hotel. We could use the hotel's pool, but we had to put dresses on over our bathing suits to walk through the hotel lobby. One day we went to the pool and took our dresses off as usual, except my mother had forgotten to put her suit on and she was standing there in her underwear! That was truly embarrassing.

Send any questions you have for the Boss Lady to: Ask the Boss Lady, NICKELODEON MAGAZINE, 1515 Broadway, 41st floor, New York, NY 10036





Holiday 'toons: Watch a night of Nicktoon Christmas specials on Saturday, December 16, starting at 8 PM.

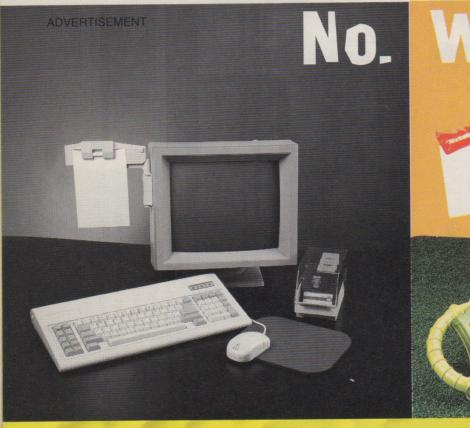
Pining for Petes: Little Pete tries to save his family's Christmas tree from the garbage dump in The Adventures of Pete and Pete's after-Christmas special, "O Christmas Pete, O Christmas Pete." It airs Saturday, December 31, at 6:30 PM.

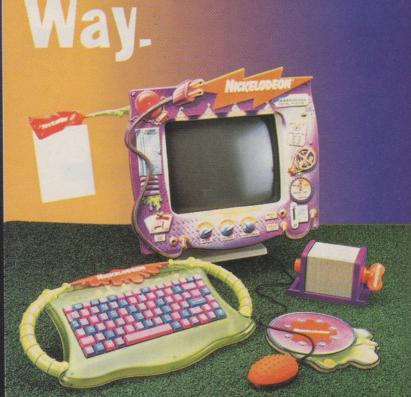
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#### THE STATE PAGE

This Month:

You don't have to be from Ohio to enjoy the facts we've gathered here. We've hidden one fake item about Ohio on the page. Can you find it?

Answer on page 91.

#### STATE THE FACTS

- Ohio was admitted to the Union in 1803.
- The capital of Ohio is Columbus.
- The state insect is the ladybug or Ladybird Beetle.
- The state rock song is "Hang on Sloopy."
- Ohio is the only state that has a pennantshaped flag, called a burgee.
- It is illegal for Ohio residents to name a child "Ohio."

#### WILL IT FLY?

The following things were first created by people from Ohio:

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#### CRADLE OF COMMANDERS

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- The first left-handed president (President Garfield) was from Ohio.
- In 1872, Ohio native Victoria Woodhull was the first woman to run for president.

#### WHAT'S RED ALL OVER?

The state flower is the red carnation, in memory of President McKinley, who always wore one in his lapel.

The official state beverage of Ohio is

tomato juice. Ohio leads the U.S. in tomato juice production, and is the second largest grower of tomatoes, after California.

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## Face to Face

Take a good look at the boy on the left. He grew up to be one of the famous men on the right. Can you guess which one he is? Answer on page 91.



Noah Wyle, actor



Steven Spielberg, director

Ross Perot, businessman



And I thought I had floppy ears!

I'm QZ (that's short for QZXLXZQ), and I'm from the planet Zlttlz. I know about everything in the universe, and a lot about some other places, too. So ask me a question about anything—and I'll give you some cosmic clarification.



## Dear Alien-

#### Dear QZ:

Is it real easy to see things with three eyes? Do you see things in triple?

Kelly F. Joplin, Missouri

#### Kelly, Kelly, Kelly:

No, no, no, III don't don't don't....

#### Dear QZ:

Why don't you have teeth?

Dan P. Worthington, Massachusetts

#### Dan:

Because a long time ago, we on Zlttlz figured something out: no teeth, no dentists.

#### Dear QZ:

If you're so smart, why do you wear a fender as clothes?

Steve C. Manchester, Missouri

#### Steve:

I'm very sorry if I offendered you, but fenders are all the rage in outer space outerwear. I think I look good in chrome, and when in chrome, I do as the chromans do.

#### Dear QZ:

Do you have gas and does it smell?

Kate, Emily, and Becca Cummington, Massachusetts

#### Kate, Emily, and Becca:

There's gas in my car, and believe me, my car stinks!

#### Dear OZ:

If a tree falls in the woods and no one is around, does it make a sound?

Eric B. Gainesville, Texas

#### Eric:

My question to you is this: If a tree falls in the woods, why is nobody ever around to help it get back up again?

Do you have a question for QZ? Write to: Ask QZ, NICKELODEON MAGAZINE, 1515 Broadway, 41st floor, New York, NY 10036. Sorry, but the space-time continuum prevents QZ from personally answering every letter.



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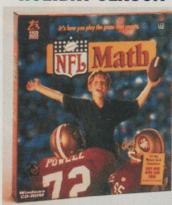
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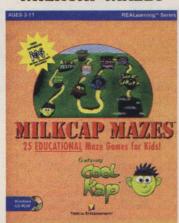
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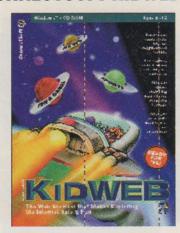
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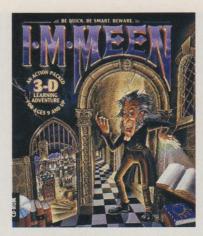
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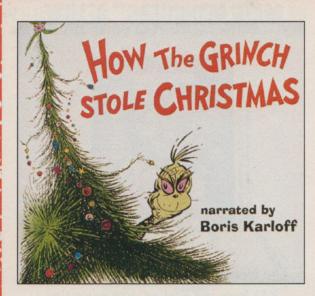
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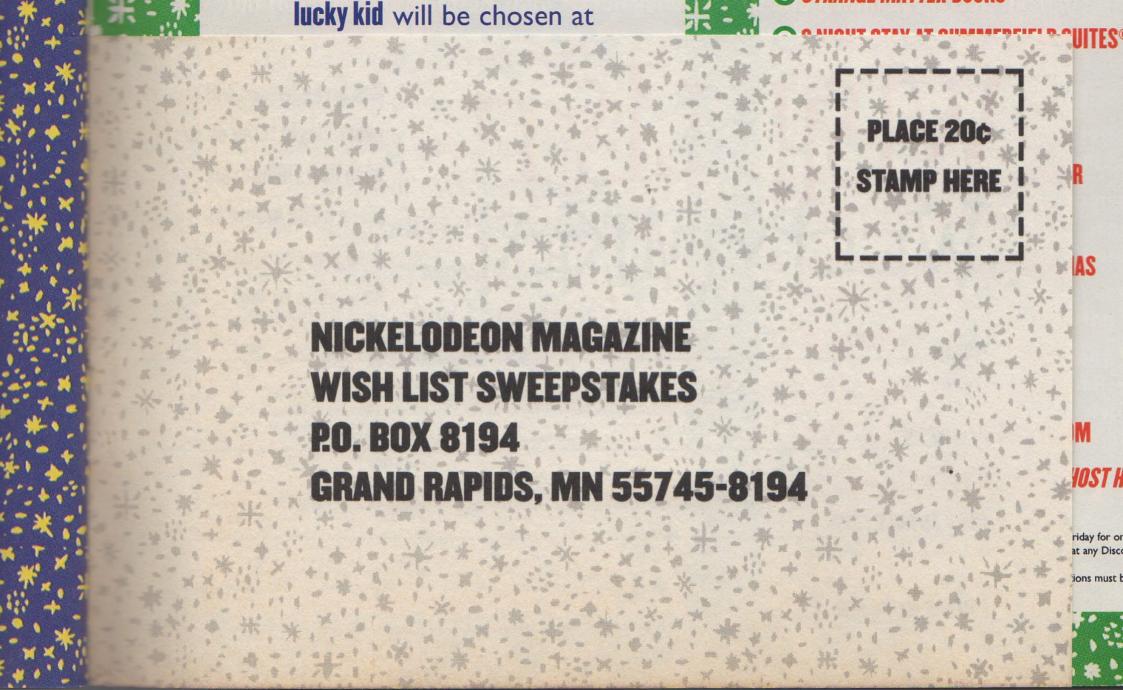
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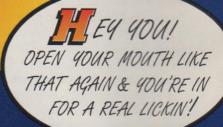
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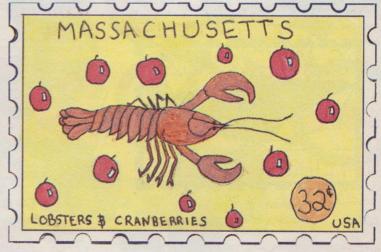
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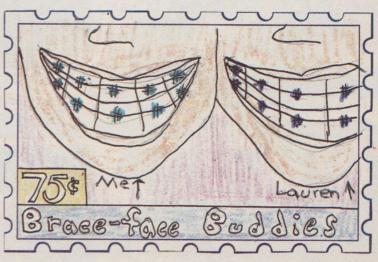




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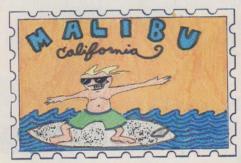


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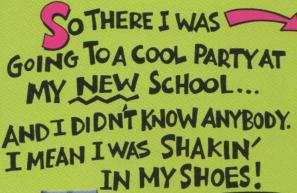
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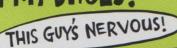
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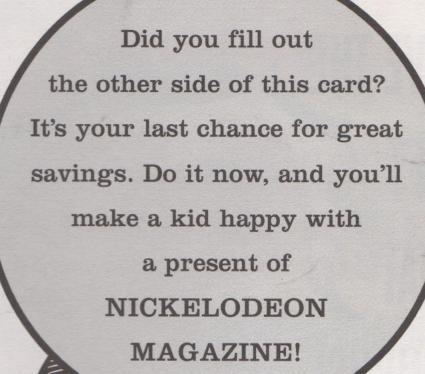


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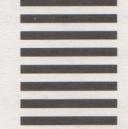
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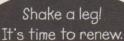
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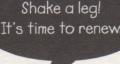
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